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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State/Territory: Montana

Requirements for Third Party Liability - Payment of Claims

Claims subject to the provisions of 433.139(b)(3)(ii)(C) are not cost avoided if the provider submits, directly to the TPL Unit, a claim which: (a) includes documentation the third party has been billed, (b) the date of submission is 30 or more days beyond the date of service, and (c) the provider certifies on the claim that no response has been received from the third party.

If the existence of a third party is known when claims are paid under the provisions of a cost avoidance waiver, or are paid under mandatory pay and chase provisions, those claims are accumulated for one month by recipient, by third party. If the total of accumulated claims exceeds \$100.00 during this time period, the third party is verified and billed.

If the existence of a third party is established after payment of one or more claims, that third party is verified and billed if total claims paid within the last 12 months exceed \$100.00 for a recipient.

If the third party is liable in a tort or casualty situation, all claims related to the injury are accumulated. Recovery from the third party is sought if the total of those claims for a recipient exceed \$250.00.

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